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RCMP marks anniversaries

A FEW DAYS SHORT of 125 years since the North West Mounted Police rode through this area on their momentous trek to Fort Edmonton, and a few weeks after the 25th anniversary of Elk Point's RCMP Centennial cairn, today's Elk Point Detachment members gathered for a commemorative portrait, some choosing to mark the 125th anniversary by donning the attire of long-ago days. Back row, left to right, are Cst. Jenny McDonald, Sgt Lyle Marianchuk, Cst. Sid Boucher, Cst. Mike Caudron, Cst. Peter Beardy, Cst. Simon Cote; front, left to right: Auxiliary Cst. John Yettaw, Terri-Ann Donaldson, JOan Palamarek, Auxiliary Cst. Mike Chubey and Reiko, from the St. Paul Police Dog Section. Missing is Auxiliary Cst. Rob Harms. The Detachment took part in the nation-wide Operation Impact on Saturday, October 2, and handed out 13 charges for seat belts, speeding and failure to stop at stop signs. No charges were laid for impaired driving in the one-day blitz on risk-type offenses.

Baby Annie arrives at health centre

By Manon Joice
Review Contributor

A new CPR infant instructional doll has been purchased by our local Health Care Centre Auxiliary.

Baby Annie is the latest in a long list of gifts our local Health Care Auxiliary has provided to the Elk Point Health Care Centre. Baby Annie will be the valuable tool needed to teach infant CPR to the institutions' staff. Those community members taking CPR, Standard First Aid, and Child Care courses will also benefit from this donation.

The significant cost of the lifelike doll was paid for by the auxiliary. They continue

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■ International Year of Older Persons

Elk Point's celebration of seniorhood

By Sherry Pelech
Review Contributor

Elk Point seniors celebrated the International Year of Older Persons on October 1, 1999 with a turkey dinner held in the Seniors' Centre.

Pastor Jim MacLellan amused the group with a few humorous Signs of Aging: You know you're getting older when: the gleam in your eye is your trifocals; what doesn't hurt, doesn't work; the little old lady you help across the street is your wife.

But he also stated that when the exterior deteriorates, the interior is often renewed and that gray hair and wrinkles are marks of experience and wisdom learned.

Sid Holthe reminded everyone that society is for all ages and seniors still have valuable contributions to make and we should "love the time left, not

regret the time wasted." Technology is helping people live longer with better health, allowing us to age gracefully and joyfully. Or as Robert Browning said, "Grow old along with me, the best is yet to be." He also read one of his favorite poems, "The First Snow of the Year" by Mark Van Doren, a poignant story of love, memories and aging. On behalf of the F.C.S.S., Deanna Easthope presented mugs to Ann Buck, Adeline Zenko, Sid Holthe, Dina Leaf, Peggy Maas and Viola Belland for their participation in "Walk the World." Emcee, Lillian Palinka presented pins to the seniors who turned 80 years old in 1999 - Sid Holthe, Rose Kozicky, Ivan Howe, Pearl Slywka, Carl Dembicki, Karl Heinemann, Bill Boyko, and Annie Jacula. She then concluded by thanking those who had cooked the dinner and Florence Demchuk for the festive, fall decorations in the hall.



OCTOGENARIANS HONORED -- Lillian Palinka (far right) of Elk Point Pioneer Circle presented pins to Elk Point residents who turned 80 in this International Year of Older Persons: (right to left) Sid Holthe, Ivan Howe, Karl Heinemann, Pearl Slywka, Rose Kozicky, Carl Dembicki, Bill Boyko, and Annie Jacula.

community NEWS



Melvin McGinnis, President of Elk Point Health Care Auxiliary presents Annie to Esther Moneta: Acute Care Facility Head Nurse and Deanna Fakeley, LPN and Health Centre CPR Instructor.

Baby Annie arrives at health centre

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to raise funds for projects such as this by managing the Centres canteen, holding annual bake sales, raffles, and by accepting donations.

Through the volunteer efforts of this auxiliary, our Health Care Centre has managed to attain many amenities which otherwise may not be made available

to those who utilize the Health Care Centre and Parkview Residence.

This past year alone the Auxiliary has raised funds to purchase the following: a thirty-six inch color television and stand for Parkview clients. Also, a new stereo system, slow cookers, roasters and coffee carafes.

In support of the Health

Care Centre it has purchased a baby monitor, chairs for nursing staff, electric razor, sask pole, a cot for overnight visitors and a vibrator to be used for chest physiotherapy. And now they come through again by purchasing Baby Annie.

It has been through their labour our Health Care Centre has benefited. Those

who work in the facility clearly recognize and appreciate the efforts and support of our Auxiliary Members. The Auxiliary is hoping to increase its members to continue their work. Should you care to join this important group or wish to offer your support in any way please do contact the Elk Point Health Care Centre.

CRIME STOPPERS

On 99-09-17 at 10:00 pm at 51 Avenue and 50 Street in Elk Point (intersection north of Hometown Grocers) a vehicle was involved in a hit and run with a 1978 brown T-Bird. The suspect vehicle travelled eastward along 51 Avenue following the incident and is described as a white Chev. or GMC extended cab 4x4 truck that is possibly a 1996 or 1997 model. The truck also has 4x4 decals on the side panels near the endgate. It is believed that the truck would have received some front end damage to the passenger's side.

On 99-09-20 the Elk Point RCMP responded

to a complaint of a break and enter at Junction Liquor Store at Heinsburg where various bottles of Golden Wedding and Seagrams rye Whiskey were taken. At this point there are no suspects identified in the Break and Enter and the RCMP and continuing their investigation.

On 1999-09-24 at approx. 2230 hrs. (10:30 pm) on Railroad Avenue near 50 Street, a white vehicle struck and damaged a parked blue Dodge van. The Dodge van was hit on the driver's door causing considerable damage. The RCMP is asking citizens to be on the look out for a white vehicle with dam-

Tool thieves, hit-and-run culprits sought

age to its front passenger side.

Between the dates of 99-09-12 and 99-09-14, 2 miles east and 1 mile south of the Hwy. 41 and Hwy. 640 junction culprits stole two water pumps and a battery recharger. These items are described as one gasoline 3 HP water pump, one electrical submergible pump, 4 deep cycle batteries and a battery recharger.

Between the hours of 0100-0200 hrs. on 99-09-15, tools were stolen and mischief was done to farm equipment located at SE-17-055-04-W4. Culprits stole a variety of tools from a combine and had attempted to remove

the radio as well. As both incidents occurred along Hwy. 640, RCMP are asking citizens to be extra watchful for suspicious activity.

Anyone with information regarding any of the above incidents is asked to call the Elk Point RCMP Detachment at (780) 724-3829 or (780) 724-3964 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).

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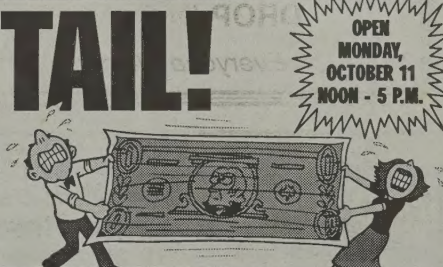
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from the FCSS DESK

Time management is a must!

By Deanna Easthope
FCSS Director

In today's world many of us feel the stress of over commitments in our daily lives. This time of year, our farmers feel the stress of harvest and trying to accomplish their task before mother nature sends the storms of winter. Our thoughts are with the farmers and we wish you the best.

No matter who we are or what we do, time management is important. That reminds me of a story someone gave me. It seems that an expert in time management was speaking to a group of business students. He pulled out a one-gallon, wide mouth Mason jar and set it on the table in

front of him. He also produced about a dozen first-sized rocks and carefully placed them, one at a time, into the jar. When the jar was filled to the top and no more rocks would fit inside, he asked, "Is this jar full?"

Everyone in the class yelled, "Yes." He replied, "Really?" He reached under the table and pulled out a bucket of gravel. He dumped some gravel in and shook the jar causing pieces of gravel to work themselves down into the spaces between the big rocks.

He then asked the group once more, "Is the jar full?" By this time the class was on to him. "Probably not" one of them answered. "Good!" he replied. He reached

under the table and brought out a bucket of sand. He started dumping the sand in the jar and it went into all of the spaces left between the rocks and the gravel.

Once again he asked the question, "Is this jar full?" "No!" the class shouted. Once again he said, "Good," then he grabbed a pitcher of water and began to pour it in until the jar was filled to the brim.

Then he looked at the class and asked, "What is the point of this illustration?" One eager beaver raised his hand and said. "The point is no matter how full your schedule is, if you try really hard you can always fit some more things into it!" "No," the speaker replied, "that's not the point."

"The truth this illustration teaches us is if you

don't put the big rocks in first, you'll never get them in at all. What are the 'big rocks' in your life: time with your loved ones, your faith, your education, your dreams, a worthy cause, teaching or mentoring others? Remember to put those BIG ROCKS in first or you'll never get them in at all. So ask yourself: 'What are the big rocks in my life?' Then put them in first."

I liked this story because I think it describes a lot of us. And, I am afraid several of us are like the eager beaver who commented on how we would find the time to add more things to our lives. Be careful everyone! This leads to emotional burn out. There is wisdom in putting the BIG ROCKS in your schedules first.

Info Night winners

Elk Point FCSS would like to thank all the exhibitors who came to our Information Night September 14. It was a pleasure to work with all of you. Special thanks to the B.P.O. Elks for the hall and to the B.P.O. Elks for the hall and to the volunteers who helped us set up and take down the tables and chairs. To all the people who came to Information Night, a big "Thank You".

It was very wonderful to have the RMCP "Safety Bear" in attendance. Thank you once again and see you next year.

Here is a list of winners: Billy Hudey, Curtis Beady, Amanda Marianchuk, Doug Oryschuk, Kathy Pelham, Lawrence Modin, Sheila Thompson, Yvette Best, Trish Yarmuch, Jodi Antonio, Dawn Huseby, Doris Mohyluk, Cindy Casper, Kristen Antonio, Cindy Lawrence, Allan Antonio, Daileen Maennchen, Sherry Smith, Bernice Zapesocki, Cheyenne Lawrence, Ryan Marceniuk, Kathy Pelham, Helen Ramful, Amy Ockerman, Sharon Ballas, Lori Carlson, Kim Beady.

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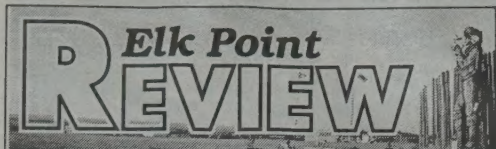
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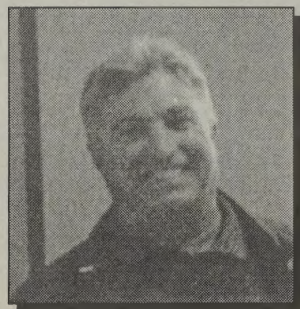
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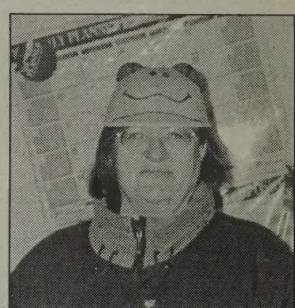
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By Manon Joice
Review Contributor

I have been very fortunate in my life to have been inspired by many individuals. Also, there have been many stories and prose and poetry. I would like to take the liberty of retelling this one I heard quite some time ago.

The Gift

Imagine I gave you a pen. It is my gift to you with no strings attached. With this single instrument you could choose to write whatever you wish. You may want to write a novel of suspense, mystery, romance, or poetry and prose.

Remember there are no strings attached. You may choose to write nothing at all. You may want to draw. Perhaps, sketch the face of a loved one, a comic strip or even a masterpiece. The choice is yours. There is one important thing to note however, I will give you only one pen. I have also given away many pens, some were full of ink and others had little. You do not know how full your pen is. Would you still want to create that masterpiece even though you may only get it half way completed. Would you choose to put the pen aside and not even try? Now imagine for one moment I gave you the gift of life. What then would you choose to do?

community NEWS

Local clubs to benefit from raffle

Elk Point Co-op donates fitness center as prize

Do you need to get in shape? Would you like to be the proud owner of the fitness center pictured above?

Elk Point Co-op was notified last spring that they had won the fitness center from a Kellogg display contest. John Vandenburg and his staff decided that they would like to donate it to organizations in the Elk Point area. Being very diplomatic, they proceeded to send invitations to

approximately 24 clubs seeking interest in selling raffle tickets with the proceed being theirs to spend on projects within the Elk Point area.

These are the organizations whom have shown interest in this project: Elk Point and District Ukrainian Dance Club, Elk Point Leos Club, Elk Point Curling Club, Elk Point 4H Multi Club and Elk Point Scouts.

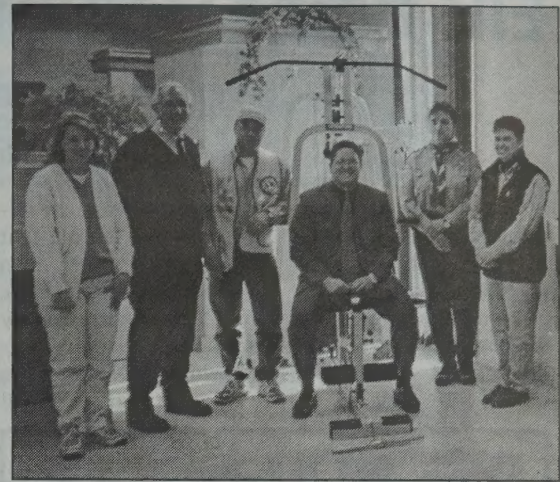
Tickets will be on sale Tuesday, October 5, 1999

from any of the above club members. John has also indicated that should the clubs want to set tables at the Elk Point Co-op he will gladly accommodate them. Draw for the fitness center will take place the evening of Extravaganza, which will be held in December. Tickets price will be \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00.

The fitness center can

be viewed at the Servus Credit Union and once again tickets can be purchased from participating members.

Elk Point Co-op would like to thank the Clubs who have decided to participate, Servus Credit Union for displaying the fitness center, Graphica for the sign, and Elk Point Review for the coverage.



PARTNERS IN FUNDRAISING: Pictured with John Vandenberg of Elk Point Co-op (second from left) and the fitness centre are Kathy Gusnowski, Elk Point and District Ukrainian Dance Club; Jonny Nielsen, Elk Point Leos Club; Gary Kulak, Elk Point Curling Club; Gloria Zarowny, Elk Point Scouts; and Lorraine Danyluk, Elk Point 4-H Multi Club.

Local bottle depot working to protect our environment

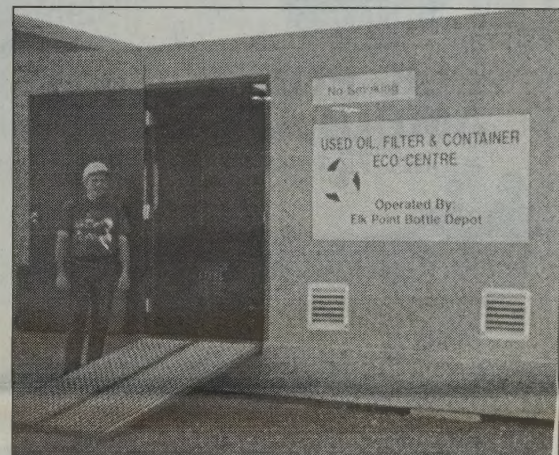
By Manon Joice
Review Contributor

Ron Cheshire is the current manager of our local bottle depot. He is proud to be a part of a newly established province wide effort to clean our environment. He has linked our bottle depot centre with the

Eco-centre network.

Established in July of 1998, this network is a partnership between The Alberta Bottle Depot Association and The Alberta Used Oil Management Association. Together they are working to protect our environment from Alberta's largest single source of hazardous recyclable material. That material is used oil.

You too can become a part of this effort by returning your used oil products to our depot centre during regular hours. You are asked to return used oil, used oil filters, and used plastic oil containers. This ser-



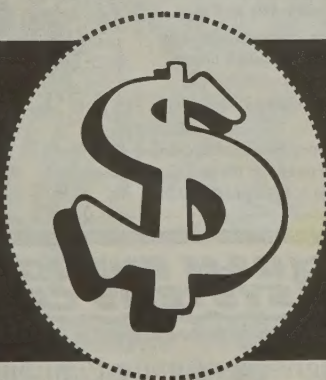
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From January 1 to mid-September, 1999, the department answered a total of 13 calls in the

town of Elk Point, which included assisting STARS Air Ambulance on several occasions. During that same time, they also answered six rescue calls, and 21 calls in the County of St. Paul, which included two vehicle fires, fires at the sanitary landfill

site, bale, bush and grass fires and building fires which included one to a fire in a store near Heinsburg.

In addition to attending fires and answering emergency calls, the fire department members attend weekly fire practices where they hone their rescue and fire fighting skills in preparation for future emergencies.

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Fire Prevention Week October 3-9, 1999

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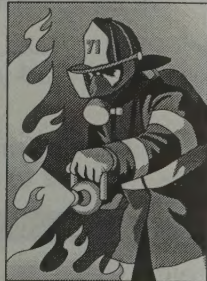
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* Make sure to check your mirrors and the lane beside you before you make your move. You

don't want to cause an accident by slamming on your brakes, or blindly jerking the car into the right lane.

* If there is already traffic in the right lane, try to move over as far as you safely can, giving the emergency vehicle more room to pass.

* Never try to speed in front of an emergency vehicle if you see one approaching. You may think you're getting out of its way, but you'll only be blocking its path up

ahead, and zipping ahead is a risky move in any situation.

* If you're approaching an intersection, the right lane is blocked and you have the green light, don't go through if you hear or see a siren. As you should anywhere else on the road, pull over to the right side.

* If the light happens to be red, the right lane is

blocked and the emergency vehicle is right behind you, don't drive through the intersection: you can't assume that the traffic approaching will stop in time. Again, pull out as much as you can or wait until the light turns green (unless the emergency vehicle orders you to proceed before them).

* If you're driving behind an emergency

vehicle, keep a fair distance back, at least several hundred feet. You never know when the vehicle will have to make a sudden stop.

* Avoid distractions

that could prevent you from hearing a siren, such as playing the radio too loud, or wearing personal stereo headphones while driving.

— Insurance Bureau of Canada

Know what to do

What you do for a burn in the first few minutes after it occurs can make a difference in how bad the injury will be.

Know what to do:

1. STOP THE BURNING PROCESS

Remove the source of heat— if clothing catches fire, "Stop, Drop and Roll" to smother the flames.

2. REMOVE ALL BURNED CLOTHING

Clothing may retain heat and cause deep injury. If the clothing sticks to the skin, cut or tear around the area to save the good skin.

3. POUR COLD WATER OVER THE BURNED AREA

Keep pouring cool water on the area for at least three to five minutes (30-40 minutes for a chemical injury). Don't pack the burned areas in ice! This may increase the extent of the injury and cause hypothermia.

4. REMOVE ALL JEWELLERY, BELTS, TIGHT CLOTHING, ETC.

Burned areas start swelling immediately so it's a good idea to remove anything restricting the burned area and the victim's neck.

5. DO NOT APPLY OINTMENTS OR BUTTER TO WOUNDS

These may cause infection due to their oil base and convert wounds to deeper injury.

6. COVER BURNS WITH A SOFT, CLEAN, DRY DRESSING, BANDAGE OR SHEET

7. KEEP VICTIM WARM

8. SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

If the burn is larger than a

dollar coin, see a doctor. Infants and the elderly are endangered by even small burns. Hands, feet, face (especially eyes) and genitalia are critical areas which require medical attention.

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OCTOBER 3 - 9, 1999

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OCTOBER 3-9, 1999

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community NEWS

F.G. Miller students back to school

Darcy Stafford going to Provincial golf

By Leanne Wilson
Student Journalist

After a very short two months of vacationing and relaxing, students and teachers have headed back to school. So, once again, I've taken out my journalist pen and notepad, ready to keep you informed of the happenings at F.G. Miller High School.

First, F.G. Miller would like to welcome Mrs. Sandra Bishop and Miss Raquel Germain to the teaching staff. Mrs. Bishop, who previously taught at Heinsburg, is now instructing junior high courses. Most students already know Miss Germain, since she previously taught twice at F.G. Miller. Miss Germain, who most recently has been working at Poundmakers Jr./Sr. School, will be teaching high school courses.

F.G. Miller is also hosting three new exchange students.

Graduation correction

F. G. Miller Senior High School accidentally missed two names on their list of graduates from the story last week on the 1999 graduation ceremonies. Michael Zacharuk and Andrea Myshaniuk were also included on the list of 30 graduates from Grade 12. F. G. Miller High School would like to apologize for this error.

Pioneer Circle Bingo

September 20, 1999

Dan Demchuk \$30; Mildred Boyko \$35; Eddie Piotrowski \$15; Louise Jenkins \$30; Hazel Hannah \$15; Jean Russell \$45; Caroline Shankowski \$30; Diana Berg \$30; Vicky Misliky \$15; Bev Bepalko \$15; Melvin McGinnis \$30; Lena Stepa \$15; Vicky Dion \$15; Pauline Pankiw \$30; William Dion \$30; Lena Stepa \$30; Lil Radish \$30; Lena Stepa \$30; Adella Jennisen \$46; Mary Axley \$18; Sophie Stamp \$28; Adella Jennisen \$50; Mary Axley \$62; Hazel Hannah \$24; Marian Kozicky \$24; Lillian Palinka \$24; Sophie Stamp \$24; Mary Bepalko \$24.

F.G. Miller welcomes these new students and hopes their stay at Elk Point is enjoyable and educational. Future articles will introduce you to them.

With a new year, there's always changes made for improvement of the school. In schools all across the Greater St. Paul Division, students and staff participate in an opening exercise, the singing of "O Canada". This new policy is intended to promote patriotism in students.

Still on the topic of music, one of F.G. Miller's own rock bands, "Loser Makes Good", held a little concert on September 10. During the lunch break, band members Dallas Flamond, T.J. Jabush, Brandon Parenteau, and Terry Parenteau entertained students and teachers. Perhaps one day "Loser Makes Good" should

play a version of "O Canada" for morning exercises.

Well, with the new school year, the slate has been wiped clean. Hopefully as Crusaders make their way into the year 2000, we can make this our biggest and most successful year yet.

Well, students are getting back into the swing of things and so is the senior boys' golf team. The team, coached by Jeff Bishop, consists of the foursome Melvin Easthope, Spencer Easthope, Darcy Stafford, Dusty Yaremkevich and singles player, Travis Brown. The team's first victory came against Two Hills playing against them twice and winning by a combined score of 15. On Monday, Oct. 13, the team made the long trip to Fort McMurray where the boys swung their way to capturing the

silver medal. Melvin Easthope, grade 10, tied for fourth ranked player, while Darcy Stafford, grade 11, placed third. With this result, Darcy will now be going on to provincials to represent F. G. Miller. Congratulations to the team and good luck in your future games.

Well, off the golf course and back to the school. F.G. Miller's Above the Limit program will run once again, but with a few changes. Above the Limit is an incentive program which rewards students for achieving 80 or above on assignments or tests. In the past, various companies and individuals have sponsored the prizes. But this year, students will be responsible for fundraising the money and there will be separate prizes for senior and junior high.

Students will be selling chocolates, giftwrap, etc. from Sunsweet.

Above the Limit is back at FGM

Above the Limit has started for another year. Students at F. G. Miller who get 80 per cent or above on tests get a ticket which gives them a chance to win a prize at the end of the month. At the end of each year there will be a draw for major prizes.

This year there are separate categories for junior

and senior high.

The students with the top entries in each grade for September are: Grade 7 - Scott Lindquist, Gr. 8 - Kristyn Ballas, Gr. 9 - Kirsty Lindquist, Gr. 10 - Brianne Greening, Gr. 11 - Michelle Leckie, Jennifer Flanders, John Marcoux, Gr. 12 - Spencer Easthope.

The winners of the September monthly draw

are: Kyle Nielsen, Kirsty Lindquist, Ashley Hebblethwaite, John Marcoux, James Purdy, and Donabel Ginez.

Thanks to the St. Paul Elite Theatre for the prizes.

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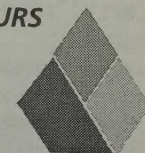
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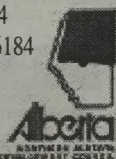
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what's NEWS at the LIBRARY?

First Seniors Tea a big hit with older library patrons Another tea planned for the end of October

By Karina Mitchell
Librarian

The Seniors Tea was a big hit. We had a good turnout for the first time and everyone had a good time. Sherry Pelech made some wonderful pastries and offered her china for the Tea. With her skilled aesthetic touch, she turned a corner of the Library into a tearoom fit for the Queen. Millie Orr showed us pictures and talked about the Choir's trip out east and we all chatted and enjoyed each other's company. Everything a Tea-time

should be, I think. Thank you to all who helped!

I am planning to have another Senior's Tea at the end of October. We will need a donation of cookies or other desserts and again, all ages are invited to come and enjoy the afternoon. If you have a special talent you would like to share, there is a receptive audience at our tea-time, just talk with the Librarian.

Unfortunately, I will not be able to attend too many more Senior's teas. You may have noticed the ad for a Librarian in the paper last week and that

is to fill my position here at the Elk Point Public Library as I will be leaving. Being a good wife, I am following my husband wherever his job leads him, and that is now to Calgary. We both have family there, so it is not an entirely bad thing to have to move there, but I will truly miss this library, and all the opportunities it has afforded me. Nothing can compare with the wonderful experience of working in a small town library. But I'm not gone yet, so don't forget to return or renew those overdue books!

New Books at the Library

For Adults: "The Surgery Book" is a dependable, comprehensive source book that answers important medical questions. The book explains the seventy-three most common surgical operations, delivering the information that every patient needs to know. By Robert M. Youngson, M.S.

Whether it is to improve your soil, recycle kitchen and yard waste or to grow healthier plants. "The Rodale Book of Composting" will show you easy methods for composting. With easy to follow instructions and helpful tips for every gardener.

In "Mehndi", the ancient art of painting of the skin with henna is demonstrated with the recipes, tools, and techniques needed to paint designs that range from simple to complex. By Loretta Roome.

For Young Adults:

"Children Just Like Me" is a unique celebration of children around the world. With pictures from places as diverse as New York, Mongolia and the Amazon Basin, you can enjoy reading about the lives of these children who share our world. By Barnabas and Anavel Kindersley.

Karen has joined the swim team and is having

lots of fun until the coach says the team is not working hard enough. Can Karen still have fun? "Karen's Swim Meet" by Ann Martin.

How far will Tom Yeerk go to keep Tom from leaving his home and the Yeerk pool. It is up to Jake and the other Animorphs to find a way to protect his father without Tom discovering their secret. "The Conspiracy" by K.A. Applegate.

Library Calendar:

Fridays, 10:30 - Story Time, be ready to party!

Saturday, October 30 - The Friends of the Library is having an evening Bingo. Sign up at the Library.

Elk Point Pioneer Circle bingo

September 27, 1999

Kirby Smith \$30, Harry Shankowski \$60, Pearl Anderson \$30, Jamie Jenkins \$60, Zelma Krucik \$40, Debbie Orr \$10, Donna Cardinal \$10,

Helen Trach \$30, Peggy Smereka \$15, Myles Deschamps \$30, L. Smith \$15, Hazel Hannah \$10, Patsy Zarowny \$10, Sophie Stamp \$10, Olga Ruzycki \$30, Zelma Krucik \$30, Mary Axley

\$20, Lucy Smereka \$30, Vi. Lillimoen \$24, Alice Dreilick \$24, Jamie Jenkins \$50, V. Lillimoen \$85, Leona Bielich \$30, Alphonse Amahoose \$30, Bob Whalen \$30, Olga Bayrock \$200.

Thank You

I would like to thank each and every one who sponsored us in the Terry Fox Run. I hope some day they will find a cure. This thank you comes from the bottom of our hearts.

Peggy Maas & Family

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Sundays - 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School for All Ages - 11:15 a.m.

Call Church answering service for current programs and times.
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Rev. Sam Donaldson - 724-2493.
Railway Avenue and 53 St.
Sunday Worship Service - 11:00 a.m.; Sunday School - 11:00 a.m.; Office hours - Thurs. & Fri. 9 a.m. - 12 noon

St. Michael's Catholic Church
Sunday Mass 12 p.m.

Bethel Lutheran Church of Lea Park
Sunday Worship Services, 10:30 a.m.

St. Vladimirs' Ukrainian Orthodox Church Elk Point
For service times, call 645-5156, St. Paul or 724-4351, Elk Point.

United Church of Canada
4822 - 50 Ave., Elk Point
Rev. Joep Langejans - 724-3616
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Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
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Children - 6 to 12 years \$5.00
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COMMUNITY NEWSLINE

"Mother to Mother" Breastfeeding Support Group - meets 4th Monday of every month, 10 a.m. Call 724-3332 for more info. Expectant mothers and older siblings welcome.

Elk Point Parent Nursery - Every Wednesday, 10 a.m. to Noon, Elk Point United Church Hall. Children under 6 and parents welcome. For more info, call Brenda Hayman, 724-3192 or Erin Mohyluk, 741-2140.

Al-Anon Family Group Meeting, Room 605, Elk Point Municipal Hospital, Wednesday evening at 8:30 p.m.

Alcoholics Anonymous meeting, Wednesday at 8:30 p.m., Room 604, Elk Point Hospital.

T.O.P.S. meets every Wednesday, 6 p.m. - 7 p.m., Old Courthouse, south door, Elk Point.

"New To Town" FCSS would like to welcome and familiarize new families with the services and programs available in town. Welcome packages contain a community directory, volunteer directory, coupons, maps and more! Call 724-3800 for more information or drop by 4902 - 51 Street.

Recycle Your Paper - Paper trailer is located at the west side of the curling rink, 5118-49 Ave.. We take newspapers, flyers, computer and bond paper. No cardboard boxes, milk or egg cartons, phone books or glossy magazines. Please sort and bundle with string or put in cardboard boxes.

Elk Point Public Library - Mon. - CLOSED; Tues. and Thurs. 1 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Wed. 2 p.m. to 9 p.m.; Fri. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sat. 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Storytime - Fri at 10:30 a.m.. Photocopies. Extended library services and reliable information sources. Public meeting space available to non-profit organizations at no charge. Please call the Elk Point Library for booking at 724-3737.

The Elk Point Legion now meets on the 2nd Tues. of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Seniors' Centre.

Elk Point Auto Club - meets at the Empress Restaurant, Elk Point, the 2nd Wednesday of each month. More information call: Ed Smith at 724-2527.

Elk Point Oilettes regular meeting is the 1st Thursday of the month. For more information, call Fay at 724-2036.

Elk Point & Area "Stop Family Violence" Support Group - meetings are held 2 times a month. For more information call 724-2380, 724-3800 or 645-1950

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6 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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7 ENTERTAINMENT & EVENTS

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8 FEED & SEED

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Small town hockey: is it doomed?

By Doug Basset
Review Contributor

Now that the painting is 95% finished, there's only a few loose ends to tie up and the power plant will be kicked in. The ice should be in by Thanksgiving Monday if all goes well. The following weekend Kelly Pratt will be here for the skills clinic on Friday, October 15, Saturday, October 16 and Sunday, October 17. A big thanks to all the volunteers who came out and helped paint and do other odd jobs. Also, a big thanks to the volunteer fire department who washed down the floor last night.

Minor Hockey Registration went well this year with everyone who wished to play here signed up, the final number almost the same as last year. Micro Novice are sitting at about 16. Novice had only 8 at press time, Atoms have 12, the Peewees are 18, Bantams 4 and the Midgets are at 7, Pee wee girls have 10 and the Midget girls have 12.

We're still having the same number problems in the Bantam and Midget group that we have had for the last few years, which brings me to today's discussion, a real can of worms.

Small town hockey. It's dying, someone should just knock it on the head, because it's almost already dead. It's not just here, in Elk Point, it's like this everywhere. Even St. Paul is having problems getting enough Midget players to

make a team. Take for example the Pee wee team this year with 18 kids registered. How many will still be here in two or three years when they become Bantams and Midgets?

Why? Well, first of all, let's be honest, blame the NHL. Look how much they're paying the average player. The NHL draft age is 18 on or before midnight, September 15. The recruiting practices of Major Junior and Junior A teams is very much influenced by the NHL draft. Fourteen and fifteen year olds are leaving home to play hockey. Why? The target group for scouts is Bantam hockey. Players and parents feel that if they play in the small towns they will not have the opportunity to be scouted like in the major centres. If their sons play in the small towns, they will have to play at a lower tier of hockey, then they will not improve as much as the city kids, that are allowed to play at the level they are capable of playing. You can't blame them for wanting to play at the highest level possible, but before too long all the small towns, like Elk Point will be able to offer will be hockey up the Pee wee level. They will become a feeder system for the bigger centres. The kids that know they are not going to the NHL, will stay home, but when there's not enough players left to make a team, where do they go, they will eventually have to pack it in.

Do you think it's ever going to get any better? The

Canadian Hockey Association is looking for the answers. The C.H.A. which is the governing body to Hockey Alberta has a new age change proposal for next year. Prior to 1985, the age divisions were Junior 19, 20, Juvenile 17, 18, Midget 15, 16, Bantam 13, 14, Pee wee 11, 12, Atom 9, 10, Tyke 7, 8. Initiation did not exist. The reason it was changed was because Juvenile hockey was a declining program. 17 year olds were playing Junior. The CHA wants to change it back.

Here's their proposal. Midgets would become a

three year program, 15, 16, 17 year olds. Large numbers of 17 year old players choose Junior hockey, therefore the viability of Midget programs is a constant challenge. Having the fifteen year olds in the midget program, would not only give a team more players to draw from, but it would be a major step in putting the prestige profile back in order. Midget hockey should have a higher profile than Bantam hockey. Also, 17 and 17 year olds in the Midget programs will not be passed over by scouts as often as they are now. The pressure

will still be on the 15 year olds, who will still be the targeted group as the draft date remains the same. Bantam would be 13, 14 year olds, Pee wee 11, 12 year olds. The highest risk for injury right now is the Pee wee program. The average size difference is greater from twelve year olds who are now joined with thirteen year olds in the Pee wee division, than the average size difference would be between an eleven year old player and a twelve year old player. Atom 9, 10 year olds, and Initiation / Novice 8 and under. Novice players right

now are playing 50 to 60 games a season. Lack of priority on skill development is obvious from Novice to Midget. Very few teams are meeting a one to one practice / game ratio.

So, can we save it? In the next few years will the small town hockey return to what it used to be, or is inevitable, Bantam and Midget hockey will be gone forever, extinct like the dinosaur. If that's the case, then it doesn't make sense, to spend all our time, doing all this work in our arena, when we will have no hockey teams to play in there, now does it!

Registration time for Skating Club

Elk Point CFSA skaters were very busy these past several months, at summer and fall school held in Leduc, preparing for tests and the up and coming competitive season. Justyne Wozniak and Helen Ramful attended their first competition of the season at the Royal Glenora, Edmonton this past weekend. The competition was very strong with the girls receiving the following results: Justyne Wozniak - Pre-Prelim. Ladies - 6th, Helen Ramful - Prelim. Ladies Elements - 7th, Prelim. Ladies Free - 8th.

Daylan Hoffman's decision to skip the Juvenile category and advance to the Pre-Novice for the 99/2000 competitive season has given her the following results to date: Wild Rose Open Invitational, Edmonton, Aug./99 - Pre-Novice Ladies Short - 3rd, Pre-Novice Ladies Free - 2nd, BC Section Summer Skate, Vancouver, Aug./99 - Pre-Novice Ladies Short - 3rd, Pre-Novice Ladies Free - 3rd Royal Glenora Invitational, Edmonton, Sept./99 - Pre-Novice Ladies Short - 1st, Pre-

Novice Ladies Free - 1st. Because of Daylan's placements during the summer she has been chosen to represent Alberta in the Pre-Novice Ladies category, at the Sask. Skate competition, Saskatoon, Oct. 9, 10/99. This invitational event will be hosting the top skaters from the four Western provinces as well as from Ontario.

1999/2000 Registration for the Club will be held at the A.G. Ross Arena October 4 and 18/99 at 7:30 pm. Good news! We will be able to maintain the same fees as previous

years. Tentative start date for CFSA members will be Oct. 11/99 with Kidskate to begin Nov. 1/99.

Our programs are geared to be fun, active and teach skills that will encourage participants to enjoy skating at whatever level they choose. The Kidskate program is highly recommended for those aspiring young hockey players, to learn the proper technique of skating. We are very happy to welcome new and old members and hope to see you at registration.

Golfing for (and under) the STARS

By Leonard Gadowski
Elk Point Lions Club

The Elk Point Lions, Lioness and Leos Clubs are very proud to announce that the STARS Human Simulator Night Golf Tournament held on September 25 was as overwhelming success. Approximately \$1,200.00

was raised and will be donated to the STARS Human Simulator program.

The support that was received by the business sector was very generous and quite appreciated. This is the vital reason that the turnout of about 90 golfers (rumor has it that they had quite a

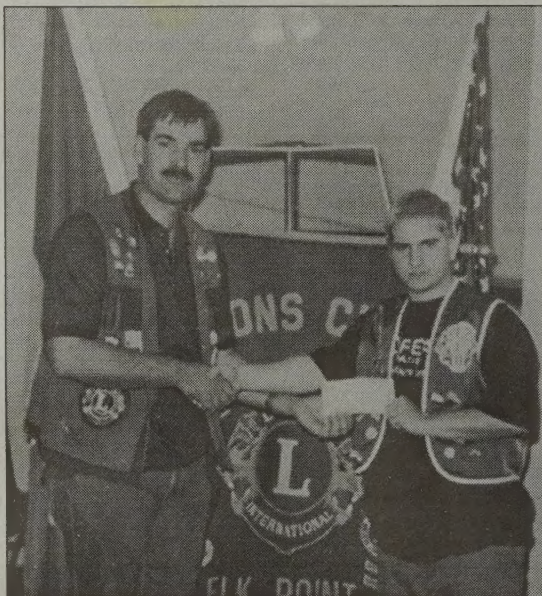
blast) was so good.

Special thanks goes out to the Elk Point Golf Course — Bea Campbell, Christine Penz, Helen Mudryk, Ted Genereux and his groundskeeper staff and the club executive.

Thank you from the Lions Club and tourna-

ment chairman, Leonard Gadowski, Lyle Frisby and Lorne Eleniak

Also thanks to Envirovault (Russ Hebblethwaite) and Lofthouse Ent. (Vince Lofthouse) who missed the deadline for the thank you advertisement in last week's paper.



LEOS DONATE TO EYE BANK -- Kyle Frisby of the Elk Point Leos Club presents a donation to the Lions Eye Bank to Lorne Eleniak.



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